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ELECTION

SIR:

This Election is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 30, 2008. The response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time extending the time for response to December 1, 2008 (November 30, 2008 being a Sunday).

Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group II. Claims 1-17 were pending in the application and Applicants were required to elect one of the following groups of invention:

- I. Claims 1-15, drawn to methods of up-regulating IRS2 function to treat disease.
- II. Claim 16 and 17, drawn to methods of screening for small molecules that are activators or inhibitors of IRS2 function.

Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Prompt consideration and allowance of the present application is therefore earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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